

(c) Rain repellent system on A-300 aircraft of Indian Airlines was discontinued due to non-availability of rain repellent which was environment friendly as per the recommendation of Airbus Industry. However, environment friendly rain repellent is now available in the market and the systems are being progressively re-activated during major checks of A-300 aircraft.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) Does not arise.

Violation of Flight Regulation by Alliance Air Pilots

1725. SHRIMATI AMBIKA SONI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Alliance Air planes are over-worked and needs frequent repairs and develop snags at the time of landing or taking off;

(b) if so, the steps taken by Government to provide better air service;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the pilots of Alliance Airlines often overlook technical snags or violate flight and duty time regulations to log in the minimum flying hours to earn their salary; and

(d) if so, the corrective measures taken by the authorities to discourage such risky practices?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Removal of Slums around Airports

1726. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the location of slums around the airports is a safety hazard;